GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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SHUNU SEN COMMITTEE
SURESH KURUP

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the report submitted by Shunu Sen committee has been accepted by the Prasar Bharati Board;

(b) if so, the main recommendations made by the Committee;

(c) the recommendations which the Government have accepted; and

(d) the recommendations with which the Government differs alongwith the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (d): The recommendations/suggestions of the Committee, amongst others, relate to mission and objective for Prasar Bharati, accountability and structures of Prasar Bharati, financing and funding mechanism, channel positioning, programming content and production, restructuring of transmission and engineering services, improvement in marketing human resource development and exploitation of new technologies. The recommendations also include certain amendments to the Prasar Bharati Act, 1990. A copy of the report is available at Ministry`s website i.e. mib.nic.in. View on some of the recommendations of the Committee is to be taken by Prasar Bharati, whereas in respect of some others, Government has to take a view. The Government is in the process of consulting the Members of the Prasar Bharati Board representatives of staff and employees unions before taking a final view. The report has also been circulated among the Members of the Consultative Committee and their views are also being sought.